

Who then is this whom even the wind and sea obey?

Mark 4:41

# St. Patrick-St. Anthony Church and The Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry

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We are a welcoming and dynamic community of Christian disciples. Rooted in the Franciscan experience of the Roman Catholic tradition, we proactively endeavor to extend hospitality both at the Eucharistic Table and as we minister reciprocally and in solidarity among the alienated and the poor, nurturing the mind, body, and spirit in the Greater Hartford Community. All are welcome!

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Saturday Evening Mass of Anticipation	
4:00 рм	Public
Sunday Masses	
8:00 AM	Public
10:00 AM	Public & Livestream
11:45 ам	Public
5:00 pm	Public
Weekday Masses	

7:30 am	Public
12:05 рм	Public & Livestream

# Sacrament of Reconciliation

Monday, Wednesday, Friday Saturday 11:15 to 11:45 ам 3:15 to 3:45 рм

# **Updated Livestreaming Information**

All Masses are available on Streamspot. Please go to <u>https://tinyurl.com/SPSACT-Streamspot</u> or scan the QR Code to view.



# UPCOMING EVENTS

June 22 Centering Yoga - 9:00 AM June 23 Secular Franciscan Order Meeting - 2:00 PM June 25 Group Spiritual Reflection (Zoom) - 12:30 PM June 26 In Quite Prayer - 7:30 AM CGS Level 2 Formation Class - 8:30 AM People of Hope (Zoom) - 11:00 AM Group Spiritual Reflection (in-person) - 12:40 PM June 20 Prayer Shawl Ministry (in-person) - 10:30 AM

# **Daily Mass Readings**

Monday, June 24: Is 49:1-6; 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15; Acts 13:22-26; Lk 1:57-66, 80 Tuesday, June 25: 2 KGS 19:9B-11, 14-21, 31-35A, 36; MT 7:6, 12-14 Wednesday, June 26: 2 Kgs 22:8-13; 23:1-3; Mt 7:15-20 Thursday, June 27: 2 Kgs 24:8-17; Mt 7:21-29 Friday, June 28: 2 KGS 25:1-12; MT 8:1-4 Sunday June 30: Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24; Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11, 12, 13; 2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15; Mk 5:21-43 or 5:21-24, 35b-43 Go to *http://www.usccb.org/* for readings online.



### St. Patrick - St. Anthony Ladies Guild 22nd Annual Rev. Dawson D. Trenchard Scholarship

Do you have a child or children in grades K through 12 entering or attending Catholic School this year? Download the form and apply now for the 2024-2025 school year.

The Ladies Guild has awarded \$81,175 in scholarships to the children of the parish since 2003.

For more information and to down load, please scan the QR Code or go to <u>https://tinyurl.com/SPSALadiesGuild</u>



The Pastor's Corner

#### June 23, 2024

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Most of the fourth chapter of the Gospel of

Mark is a series of "seed" parables, one of which we heard last Sunday about the mustard seed as a metaphor for the growth of the kingdom of God. The chapter ends with the story of Jesus calming the storm on the Sea of Galilee.

One commentary on this chapter explains how Jesus himself becomes a living parable, revealing himself as God who has power over creation. In the psalms we read: "Lord, God of hosts, who is like you? You rule the raging sea; you still its swelling waves" (Ps. 89:9-10); "You still the roaring of the seas, the roaring of their waves" (Ps. 65:8). In other words, when the disciples asked themselves, "Who then is this whom even wind and sea obey?" they might have glimpsed an answer in their memory of these psalms.

The whole point of the account of the storm at sea is to help us realize that Jesus knows our fears and anxieties, and he is there to calm us down and bring peace to our troubled hearts and souls. In this weekend's final hymn, we sing "No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that rock I'm clinging. Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?"

It is always a test of our faith when we are faced with sudden crises, and those come in many different forms: a sudden change of health; loss of a job; a broken relationship, etc. Perhaps our fear is based on the unknown, like waiting for a medical procedure or test results. Sometimes our fear rises from the mistakes we've made, wondering if the past can ever be rectified. The good news is that we are never alone with our worries or fears as long as we continue to believe that the Lord is holding our hand along the way.

As we move into "high summer" mode, I hope you will have the opportunity to spend time at your favorite vacation spot - as I will for a week coming soon. Safe travels, wherever they lead you!

Blessings on your week ahead!

Fr. Tim Shreenan, ofm\_\_\_\_\_ Fr. Tim Shreenan, O.F.M.

Pastor





On Sunday, June 30, our parish will initiate its annual and only fund-raising campaign, "Christmas in July," to support our more than 20-year covenant between our parish and the St. Genevieve parish and school in Haiti. The "Christmas in July" campaign reminds us in the middle of the year what the birth of Jesus stands for back in December. In another way, it is an opportunity for us to "recharge our spiritual and charitable batteries."

We are all aware of the intolerable social and political turmoil in Haiti. Despite these horrible conditions, our continued support through our "Christmas in July" campaign brings much-needed economic, social, and personal relief from the threats of violence and economic hardship. Most importantly our contributions sustain our mutual hope for eventual peace.



We can sustain this goal by continuing to support the education of of 400 children, provide a high protein lunch for the children, and financial support for teacher salaries with appreciation for their continued service during a very

difficult time. Father Gabby uses any remaining funds to support some very impoverished and elderly parishioners who have no other means to survive. In addition to these efforts, we recently learned that the basic medical services available to St. Genevieve

families are threatened by loss of staff and funding formerly provided by other U.S. parishes. We would like to explore with Father Gabby how we can help to fill this gap to provide families with access to vaccinations and other very basic medical care.

As a parish community, we do all this and fight against the inhumanity and terror experienced by our St. Genevieve families. May their hearts in Haiti continue to hope in God's love.



### **Ongoing Adult Faith Formation Programs**

For full program descriptions, Zoom links, and more information, please go to https://tinyurl.com/SPSA-AFF.

**Group Spiritual Reflection:** 

Tuesday: June 25, 2024, on Zoom at 12:30 PM Wednesday: In-person will resume in September.

**In Quiet Prayer:** Wednesday, June 26, 2024, 7:30 to 8:00 AM on Zoom

**People of Hope:** *The Flowing Grace of Now:* Wednesday, June 26, 2024, on Zoom from 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM

# **Centering Yoga**

Parishioner Michael Leahy (YT200) is offering a FREE one-hour yoga class in the Franciscan Center at 9:00am on **June 22, 2024.** All ability levels are welcome; please bring your own mat. Email aholstgrubbe@spsact.org to register.

# Secular Franciscan Order

Is God calling you to live a life of love, peace, and holiness in the model of St. Francis of Assisi? Join us for our gathering in the lower level of the Urban Ministry Center at St. Patrick-St. Anthony



Church on June 23, 2024 at 2:00 PM to learn more about the Secular Franciscan Order. We will be discussing Social Justice related to "Caring for God's Creation".

# **Prayer Shawl Ministry**

Calling all who knit or crochet and those who would like to learn these art forms. You are invited to contribute your time and talent to the Prayer Shawl Ministry at St. Patrick - St. Anthony Church.



The next meeting is June 27, 2024 10:30 AM in-person.

# Upcoming Adult FaithFormation Programs

### Is our Church Still Relevant Today?

Perhaps you have heard the question circulating among Catholics, *"Is our Church still relevant in our society today?"* 

We propose this answer: The Church as the People of God, enlivened through our Baptism, is called to vibrant, relevant living based on Gospel values which speak words of hope and comfort to those afflicted, and words of truth and integrity to those who serve and lead.

When we fully comprehend our own inherent dignity and rightful empowerment through the Holy Spirit, stagnation will not be an option. Our ongoing response to the gifts of this first Sacrament refreshes our own lives, our parish, and all of society. **Please join us this summer for three reflection sessions immediately following the 12:05 Mass on Wednesdays in the church:** 

July 24: "Anointed for Mission"

July 31: "Discipleship": Enriching Relationships and Growing in Holiness

August 7: "Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors": Living into our Motto

Together we will explore anew and reclaim this incredible gift and grace given at Baptism.

Presenters: Patricia Curtis and LouAnn Warren

# Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry

### Pasta Tuesdays and Warm Dinner Thursdays

#### How can you get involved?

**Pasta Tuesday:** We are always in need of one pound trays of baked pasta - ziti, meat sauce and pasta, creamy chicken and broccoli - your choice. Baked pasta dishes can be frozen so if you prefer to deliver after your favorite Sunday mass that is always an option or any time before 2 pm on Tuesdays.

Warm Meal Thursday: We are looking for salads filled with fresh veggies; select a couple different veggies, add pasta and a nonmayo dressing.

**Providing Groceries:** We have an online list for your convenience.

Please go to <u>https://tinyurl.com/SPSA-t-th-</u> <u>meals</u> the QR Code, to view the list and to sign up.



### Women of Hope Mininstry

It has been an interesting few weeks of news from the Vatican regarding two particular groups of people at the center of our parish Synod report, the national reports, and even the



universal Synod report presented to Pope Francis in 2022-23. Statements about women and the LGBTQ+ community from Pope Francis have caused confusion and consternation. Perhaps you have felt it, too.

Our **Women of Hope Ministry** spent time last week discussing the Pope's emphatic 'no' when asked if women could be ordained deacons. *Wasn't this topic under serious consideration in the Synod gathering in October 2023 because it had been raised in Synod listening sessions around the globe? Weren't we all encouraged to spend the year continuing to study the historical evidence of women serving faith communities as ordained deacons in the early church? If so, then why today's 'no'?* 

We are still in the Synod process and Synod delegates will gather again this October. If the answer has already been decided, why allow hope to build that change could be on the horizon? Why not hold true to the synodal spirit of deep listening while walking together and allow for the unfolding of dialogue and making room for the Holy Spirit to inspire and guide us?

As Women of Hope, we have decided to move forward with our Summer/Fall/Advent plans and invite all to stand with us and join in gatherings of discussion, prayer and reflection. The grace of Baptism fills us - all of us - with dignity and gifts to be shared for the good of all.

We will commence Evenings of Prayer this summer around topics such as building a culture of peace, cultural diversity in friendship, and non-violence.

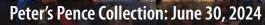
Then, please save the date of Saturday, September 28 from 12:30 to 4:00 PM to welcome Christine Schenk, CSJ for an afternoon of presentation, prayer and discussion. *Her focus will be: What Does the Countercultural Witness of Early "Mothers of the Church" Call Us to Today?* 

**Christine Schenk, CSJ** has worked as a nurse midwife to low-income families, a community organizer, an award-winning writer-researcher, and the founding director of an international church reform organization, FutureChurch. Her first book *Crispina and Her Sisters: Women and Authority in Early Christianity*  (Fortress Press, 2017) received a first place in history from the Catholic Press Association and her most recent work, To Speak the Truth in Love: A Biography of Sr. Theresa Kane RSM (OrbisBooks 2019) received first place awards from The Association of Catholic Publishers and the Catholic Press Association. She writes a regular column for the National Catholic Reporter and is one of three nuns featured in the award-winning documentary Radical Grace.

Detailed information about all programming offered through Women of Hope Ministry will be forthcoming in parish-wide emails and bulletins. Be sure to look for it and register. Feel free to bring neighbors, friends, family members or colleagues.

All are Welcome!

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Please consider giving generously to this collection on June 30 as a sign of mercy to those who suffer around the globe and of your support for the ongoing work of the Holy See.

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### Become a Mercy Associate

The Mercy Associates of Connecticut invite you to learn about us. We are men and women who hear and respond to the Gospel invitation of Jesus and the example of Catherine McAuley, founder of the Sisters of Mercy. We share in the

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mission and charism of Mercy and partner with the Sisters of Mercy in caring for and walking with the poor, sick, and uneducated. While maintaining our individual lifestyles, we share in prayer, community and ministry.

For more information please reach out to Kathy Swift, Local Area Facilitator, at <u>ctmercyassociates@gmail.com</u> or 860-594-8619, ext 225.

# Weekly Offerings Thank you for your generosity!

June 10 - 16, 2024

Online Giving: \$9,611.23 Weekly Collection: \$6,324.00

Total: \$15,935.23

## Archbishop's Annual Appeal Donations as of 6/14/2024

Parish Goal: \$ Total Donated: \$

\$115,000.00 \$76,160.60



Did you know that our own Sandwich Ministry, St. Anthony's Bread for the Poor and the House of Bread are among the 72 Hartford County non-profit organizations that benefit from the Archbishop's Annual Appeal? You can find the entire list by going to <u>https://tinyurl.com/SPSA-AAA-NP-List.</u>

Please go to <u>https://tinyurl.com/AOHCT-AAA</u> or scan the qr code to make your donation.

Appeal literature can be found at <u>https://archdioceseofhartford.</u> <u>org/appeal/</u>. No Appeal funds are ever used for legal fees or settlements.

### **Enrollment is Now Open!**



Enroll in the New England Catholic Biblical School to study all 73 books of the Bible! Jesus is teaching! You are invited!

In-person and online Classes begin September 7, 2024.

Class locations for Year 1 Class:

Our Lady of Loreto, Waterbury, Thurs 6:30-8:30PM St. Aloysius, Plantsville, Tues 10-12NOON Online, Wed 6:30-8:30PM

Visit: www.NewEnglandCatholicBiblicalSchool.com

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, June 22, 2024 4:00 PM Teresa Melzen

#### Sunday, June 23, 2024

8:00 AM Betty Clark 10:00 AM Madeline Capodanno 11:45 AM John & Rita Ashe 5:00 PM

#### Monday, June 24, 2024

7:30 AM

12:05 PM Sebastian Lombardo

Tuesday, June 25, 2024

7:30 AM Prayer intentions for our parishioners

12:05 PM James & Sadie Baio

Wednesday, June 26, 2024

7:30 AM Prayer intentions for the parishioners of St. Genevieve 12:05 PM Richard Crockett

**Thursday, June 27, 2024** 7:30 AM 12:05 PM Patrick Lee, M.D.

Friday, June 28, 2024 7:30 AM

12:05 PM Judith Lanning

Saturday, June 29, 2024 4:00 PM Francis Marquis

Sunday, June 30, 2024

8:00 AM Patsy Mennona 10:00 AM Carol Morano

11:45 AM In thanksgiving to Our Lady of Grace

5:00 PM Judy Ryiz, 4th Anniversary

### Sanctuary Lamps

for the week of June 23, 2024

In Loving Memory of Charles J. Francomano

# Please Pray for the Sick

Paula Molitar, Joseph Shertick, Greg Reed, Kathryn Eagers, Tommie Henry, Syl Ciraulo, Mary Ertel, Mary Joyce Castafero, Bobby Lombardo, John Gannon, Rosemarie Perkoski, Susan Degennaro, and Deborah Godin.

# We are here to serve you...

We are here to serve you. The programs and ministries listed below are just a sampling of our many offerings. Please go to <u>www.spsact.</u> org or call the Parish Office at 860-756-4034 for more information.

**Baptism**: Baptism of infants and young children may be celebrated during Sunday Mass and Group Baptisms on the 1st Saturday of each month outside of the season of Lent.

Patricia Curtis, Pastoral Associate; 860-756-4034, EXT. 113.

**Matrimony:** The Sacrament of Marriage at St. Patrick-St. Anthony Church are celebrated Friday and Saturdays. The Bride or Groom should contact *Carolyn Abramo, Wedding Manager; 860-756-4034, EXT. 111 or <u>https://spsact.org/wedding-request-form/</u> to begin preparation for Marriage, normally one year in advance and before any other arrangements are made for a reception.* 

**Pastoral Care Outreach Minstry:** We offer holistic care in collaboration with the parish staff (friars, ministry coordinators, and parish nurses). Members of this team are responsible for visiting parishioners at home or in long term and short term care facilities. *Fr. John Leonard, O.F.M.; 860-756-4034, EXT. 129.* 

**Prayer Network:** The St. Patrick—St. Anthony Prayer Network consists of approximately fifty parishioners who commit themselves to praying daily for those in need. <u>https://spsact.org/prayer-network-prayer-request/</u> or Parish Office; 860-756-4034.

Open Hearts LGBTQ+ Ministry: This ministry consists of two Groups: Open Hearts holds monthly fellowship meetings, and Friends and Family (LGBTQ+) Support Ministry, which supports members and allies of the LGBTQ+ community.

For information on Open Hearts:

<u>https://spsact.org/contact-open-hearts-ministry/</u> For information on Friends and Family contact: <u>https://spsact.org/contact-form-for-friends-family-ministry/</u>

#### Volunteering and Outreach Ministry Information:

St. Patrick-St. Anthony invites individuals to give freely of their time and expertise in order to make a difference. Our volunteers participate in liturgical ministries as well as other forms of service to the church, the Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry and the community at large. *Allison Holst-Grubbe, Director of Community Engagement; aholstgrubbe@spsact.org*; 860-756-4034, EXT. 110.

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